

draft minutes of meeting of Southwark Cyclists on July 9th 2014

Present: Andy Cawdell (chair), Sally Eva (sec), Matt Ashby, Francis Bernstein, Bruce Lynn, Liz Eden, Amy Aeron-Thomas, Mark Aeron-Thomas, Alastair Hanton, Hugh Bolton.

Apologies for absence: Ian Wivell, Jeremy Leach, Denny Vlaeva, Joe Parker, Eleanor Margolies, Jane Davis (Lewisham Cyclists)

1) Mins of last meeting: agreed. Matters arising: taken later
Dunwich Dynamo: as reported previously now sold out, resales running at 40-50 a day. This puts up receipts because exchanging reduced for full price tickets. Andy and Ian will be at London Fields for send off and last minute hitches. Bar code readers sorted out.

2) future of JCSG: meeting with new lead councillor. Alastair said this should be “getting to know you meeting”. Made general point that JCSG for discussion not lobbying. Criticism of council and views on specific projects should be made outside JCSG and in response to consultations. Discussion whether “no lobbying” caveat meant JCSG of very limited value for a lobbying pressure group like SC. Feeling that JCSG potentially valuable but usefulness not being demonstrated.

3) Lendlease: agreement previously reached to complete E&C bypass and to alter traffic priorities at Rodney Place/Heygate had been destroyed by previously unknown Southwark policy stopping cyclists and pedestrians from sharing space. This jeopardised previous agreements for filtered permeability through the whole redevelopment. Policy change unique to Southwark, all traffic engineers aware of it, sudden unflagged change showed limited value of JCSG. Consequences include no Toucan crossings.

ACTION: Andy to contact Andrew Gilligan re changes at E&C (agreed by TfL) and Mark Williams re policy and lobby against it

4) Wells Way Triangle Walk: no report at meeting. (*sec note, report on egroup and website*)

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5) Quietways: meeting with engineer Chris Mascord personally arranged by Bruce, attended by other engineers, Alastair and Jane Davis (Lewisham Cyclists). TfL wanted two Q/Ws delivered by end 2014. Sustrans worked out the route, Southwark delivering schemes. CM co-ordinating with TfL and adjacent boroughs. Some nice routing but failing to protect cyclists at junctions. Only one junction would meet criteria “that new cyclists should feel unthreatened”. New Southwark policy of “no sharing” between peds and cyclists meant no Toucan crossings. This was a big problem in getting junctions right. Francis suggested new TfL design standards be used to rate junctions for safety. If unsafe, would be unacceptable to TfL. **Contact: Brian Deegan (TfL) for training and more info. See also 6 action by anyone????**

6) London Cycle Design Standards: Alastair said this 350 pages and LCC co-ord centrally. Francis said report accessibly written. TfL Brian Deegan keen to show proposals to councillors and officers. Suggested that this be proposed to Mark Williams. **ACTION ???**

7) Bike week report: about 40 people accepted invite to coffee and bike check at Island Cafe. Andy suggested group consider repeating offer monthly in the evening. Francis and Sally to investigate cafes on CSH through Peckham and Camberwell. Liz to chase Dr Bike. Alastair to ask LCC to produce leaflets with LCC and SC names to hand out as invites. Measure success by new contacts. Andy to ask Southwark for money for Dr Bike, SC to fund coffee and Dr Bike if unfunded (cost £500) 3 mth trial. **AGREED**

8) Surrey Quays crossing: Chris Mascord attended for Southwark. Need for signs agreed. Waiting for funding.

9) Newington ward councillors meeting July 21st. Triggered by S4C campaign, **Matt to attend and represent SC**

10) Printworks consultation: **Bruce to represent.**

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11) Surrey canal Path: presentations by Sally and Jane Davis on the website. Random sample of Lewisham Cyclists supported need for alternative to SCP and found LCN22 acceptable alternative.
ACTION: Sally to ask Joe to contact FOBP and get their support for joint approach to Southwark.

AOB

Liz Eden wanted a map of Southwark with safe for everyone, less safe and terrifying roads clearly marked. She would do it herself.
Her offer was widely admired and accepted. Bruce offered support

Kickstarter: Alastair attended this meeting to help southwark councillors and officers understand cycling philosophy of Denmark and Netherlands. Very admirable views expressed by all attending.

New cycling officer less exciting than hoped. Some dispute about way he was appointed w/o internal advertisement of post. Comes from Conways working two days pw and title Cycling Projects Officer.

London cycling safety action plan: closing date July 25th for responses.

Death of cyclist at junction of Camberwell New Road and Albany Rd captured on Smart Moves camera. Police decision on whether to pass file to CPS due this week.

E&C northern roundabout redevelopment: Bruce and Alastair with Rick from LCC infrastructure group met Mark Williams. SC alternative plan put forward. MW said to send it to Southwark traffic engineers for comment before putting to TfL. Francis Seaton (local councillor) also involved and suggesting way forward through East Walworth community council. Alternative plan to be sent to Andrew Gilligan.

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Re-configuration of junction of Fountains Drive and Crystal Palace Parade alleged to be new Dutch style roundabout with direct route through campsite into Crystal Palace Park and south to Penge.

Francis to follow up with College Ward councillors.

London Bridge Green Network: Andy, Bruce and Francis to meet them for tea.

Andy Cawdell moving house over border into Lewisham. Happy to continue as co-ordinator till November and consider position then.

Amy said that Road Peace had been in touch with the family of Richard Muzira, who was killed on the corner of Camberwell New Road and Albany Road on November 18th. They were due to meet the police to have the collision investigation and its findings explained to them. The police have since said that there is not enough evidence for a prosecution. The police will not be passing the file to the CPS. Amy told them that Southwark Cyclists sent their condolences and would like to be kept informed of the investigation and inquest.

TfL draft cycle safety action plan. <https://consultations.tfl.gov.uk/cycling/draft-safety-action-plan> Comments due by 25 July.

Meeting closed 8.30pm. Date of next meeting August 13th Better Bankside junction of Guildford St and Zoar St, near Tate Modern.